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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Atsushi WATANABE

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 USC 371

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Responsive to the notification dated November 14, 2006, and in accordance with the provisions of 35 USC 371, Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration.

The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Our payment in the amount of \$0.00 is paid herewith by credit card. If any difference exists between the amount due and the amount being paid herewith, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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• Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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